GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services - Health Medical & Family Welfare Department – Allegations of corruption against Dr.K.Anand, formerly Regional Director of Medical & Health Services, Kadapa - Trapped by ACB officials on 23.10.2013 – Convicted in ACB Court - Punishment of 100% cut in pension and withholding of entire Gratuity permanently - Imposed - Orders - Issued.

HEALTH, MEDICAL & FAMILY WELFARE (VC.1) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.48 **Dated:14.03.2024.**
Read the following:

1.From the DG, ACB, AP, Lr.Rc.No.304/RCT-TCT/2013,S7, dt:18.11.2013.
2.From the DG, ACB, AP, Lr.Rc.No.304/RCT-TCT/2013,S7, dt:28.04.2015.
3.G.O.Ms.No.03, HM&FW (VC.I)Department, dated:06.01.2016.
4.From the DG, ACB, Vijayawada, Rc.No.304/RCT-TCD/2013,dt:20.04.2023.
5.From the DG, ACB, Vijayawada, Rc.No.304/RCT-TCD/2013,dt:12.09.2023.
6.Govt Memo No.HMF01-PHEWODPH(ACB)/11/VC.I(1)/2019, HM&FW (VC.I) Department, dt:09.11.2023.
7.From Dr.K.Anand, Regional Director of Medical & Health Services, Kadapa (retired), Explanation, dt:22.12.2023

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ORDER:

Whereas Dr.K.Anand, Regional Director of Medical & Health Services, Kadapa was trapped by the Anti Corruption Bureau on 23.10.2013 when he demanded and accepted bribe amount of Rs.50,000/- from Smt. Majjara Aruna, W/o. Bodagala Jaya Ramaiah, Staff Nurse, in his residence for showing official favour. In the reference 2nd read above, the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada has recommended to prosecute the Accused Officer in a court of Law. In the G.O.3rd read above, sanction was accorded to prosecute Dr.K.Anand, Regional Director of Medical & Health Services, Kadapa in a Court of Law.

2. And whereas, in the reference 4th read above, the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada has informed that the Special Judge for SPE & ACB Cases, Kurnool delivered judgement on 13.04.2023 in C.C.No.16/2016. The Special Judge found the Accused Officer, Dr.Kathi Anand, Regional Director, Medical & Health Services, Kadapa Region guilty for the offences under Section 7, 13(2) r/w 13(1) (d) of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 and convicted him. The Hon'ble Judge sentenced the Accused Officer to undergo rigorous imprisonment for a period of two (02) years and also to pay a fine of Rs.25,000/- and in default of payment of fine, he shall further undergo simple imprisonment for a period of three (03) months for the offense committed u/s 7 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 and also sentenced to undergo rigorous imprisonment for a period of three (03) years and also to pay a fine of Rs.50,000/- and in default of payment of fine, he shall further undergo simple imprisonment for a period of six (06) months for the offence committed u/s 13(2) r/w 13(1) (d) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988.

3. And whereas Government having examined the judgement of Spl.Judge for SPE&ACB Cases, Kurnool and provisionally decided to impose punishment of 100% cut in pension and gratuity in full permanently against Dr.Kathi Anand, Regional Director, Medical & Health Services, Kadapa, (now retired) for his conviction in a Court of law. Accordingly, a show cause notice was issued to him to this effect in the reference 6th read above, calling his explanation under Rule 9 (1) of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

4. And whereas, in his explanation 7th read above, Dr.K.Anand, Regional Director of Medical & Health Services, Kadapa (retired) has stated that he has filed an appeal in the Hon'ble High Court against the judgement of SPE & ACB Court , Kurnool and furnished copy of the High Court orders dated:02.05.2023 in IA No.1 of 2023 in Cr. Appeal No. 342 of 2023 and requested the Government that not to take any adverse action regarding his pension till the disposal of the Appeal in Hon'ble High Court.

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5. And whereas Government have observed that the Hon'ble High Court in its orders dated:02.05.2023 in IA No.1 of 2023 in CR Appeal No.342 of 2023 has suspended the sentence of imprisonment alone imposed against him, but not the conviction.

6. Government after careful examination of the matter with material on record, and keeping in view of the G.O.Ms.No.02, General Administration (Services.C) Department, dated:04.01.1999 have decided to confirm the provisional decision of imposition of punishment of 100% cut in pension and withholding of Gratuity in full permanently against Dr.Kathi Anand, formerly Regional Director, Medical & Health Services, Kadapa Region (Retd.), as he was convicted by the Hon'ble Court of the Special Judge for SPE & ACB cases, Kurnool in judgment dated: 13.04.2023 in C.C.No.16/2016.

7. Accordingly, Government hereby impose the punishment of withholding of 100% cut in pension and Gratuity in full permanently against Dr.Kathi Anand, formerly Regional Director, Medical & Health Services, Kadapa Region(Retd.), in terms of Rule 9 (1) of Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980, as he was convicted by the Hon'ble Court of the Special Judge for SPE & ACB cases, Kurnool in its judgment dated: 13.04.2023 in C.C.No.16/2016.

8. The Director of Public Health & Family Welfare, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada shall take necessary action in the matter, accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

Dr MANJULA D HOSMANI
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To.
Dr.Kathi Anand, formerly Regional Director, Medical & Health Services,
Kadapa Region (Retd.), through Director of Public Health & Family Welfare, AP,
Vijayawada.
The Director of Public Health & Family Welfare, AP, Vijayawada.
Copy to:
The Accountant General (A&E), AP, Vijayawada.
The Deputy Accountant General (Pension), AP, Vijayawada.
The District Treasury Officer, Kadapa District.
The Director General, ACB, PNBS, 2nd Floor, Krishnalanka, AP, Vijayawada.
The Vigilance Commissioner, Andhra Pradesh Vigilance Commission,
The OSD to Hon'ble Minister(HFW&ME).
The PS to Spl.CS to Government, HM&FW Department.
The PS to Secretary to Government, HM&FW Department.
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